Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)

"Who?" is more important than "What?"

Preparation (1-3)

Everything I have belongs to Jesus

Prophecy (4-5)

"The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.' "
-Isaiah 62:11 (NIV)

"Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

-Zechariah 9:9 (NIV)

Praise (6-11)

"Lord, save us! Lord, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you." -Psalms 118:25-26 (NIV)

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How would you prepare for the visit of a person with global influence? Ex: What kinds of things would you do to your house? Who would you want to invite?
- 2. The crowds cheer wildly for their King on Sunday but shout out "crucify him" on Friday. Why do you think they rejected him as their King? Are there ways we reject Him as King today?
- 3. What kind of emotion do you think Jesus was experiencing on Sunday, knowing Friday was coming? What can we learn from the way Jesus handled these situations?
- 4. In what ways could you make this week (Holy Week) a special week?